

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
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6. (Cancelled)
7. (Previously Amended) A video signal recording and reproduction device comprising:
 - a first signal input terminal for inputting a luminance signal;
 - a second signal input terminal for inputting a first color difference signal;
 - a third signal input terminal for inputting a second color difference signal;
 - YC separation means for separating and outputting another luminance signal and a carrier color signal from a composite video signal; and
 - color difference decoding means for inputting said carrier color signal output from said YC separation means, and decoding and outputting another first color difference signal and another second color difference signal;
 - input signal switching means provided between one terminal selected from said first signal input terminal, said second signal input terminal and said third signal input terminal, said one terminal used for receiving said composite video signal for said YC separation means;
 - switching means for inputting a component video signal input in said one terminal used for receiving said composite video signal and one of an output signal of said YC separation means and an output signal of said color difference decoding means, and outputting one of the signals input therein; and
 - signal switching control means for outputting a signal for switching said input signal switching means and said switching means.
8. (Previously Amended) A video signal recording and reproduction device comprising:

a first signal input terminal for inputting a luminance signal;
a second signal input terminal for inputting a first color difference signal;
a third signal input terminal for inputting a second color difference signal;
YC separation means for separating another luminance signal and a carrier color signal from a composite video signal, and outputting said separated signals; and
color difference decoding means for inputting said carrier color signal output by said YC separation means, and decoding and outputting another first color difference signal and another second color difference signal;
input signal switching means for outputting a signal input in one terminal used for receiving said composite video signal input terminal, to one of said YC separation means, said one terminal is selected from said first signal input terminal, said second signal input terminal and said third signal input terminal; and
signal switching control means for outputting a signal for switching said input signal switching means.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~A video signal reproduction device according to claim 2, further comprising:

luminance signal reproduction means for reproducing a luminance signal from a recording medium;
first color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a first color difference signal from the recording medium;
second color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a second color difference signal from the recording medium;
color signal encoding means for converting said first color difference signal output from said first color difference signal reproduction means and said second color difference signal output from said second color difference signal reproduction means into a carrier color signal;
adding means for adding said luminance signal output from said luminance signal reproduction means and said carrier color signal output from said color signal encoding means, and outputting a composite video signal;
a luminance signal output terminal for outputting both said

luminance signal and said composite video signal,

switching means for inputting an output of said adding means and an output signal from among said luminance signal reproduction means, said first color difference signal reproduction means and said second color difference signal reproduction means, and outputting one of the signals input therein; and

output signal switching control means for controlling said switching means.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~A video signal reproduction device according to claim 2, further comprising:

luminance signal reproduction means for reproducing a luminance signal from a recording medium;

first color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a first color difference signal from the recording medium;

second color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a second color difference signal from the recording medium;

color signal encoding means for converting said first color difference signal output from said first color difference signal reproduction means and said second color difference signal output from said second color difference signal reproduction means into a carrier color signal;

adding means for adding said luminance signal output from said luminance signal reproduction means and said carrier color signal output from said color signal encoding means, and outputting a composite video signal;

a luminance signal output terminal for outputting both said

luminance signal and said composite video signal,

switching means provided between an output terminal of said color signal encoding means and an input terminal of said adding means for determining whether to add or not to add the carrier color signal of said color signal encoding means; and

output signal switching control means for controlling said switching means.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~A video signal reproduction device according to claim 2, further comprising:

luminance signal reproduction means for reproducing a luminance signal from a recording medium;

first color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a first color difference signal from the recording medium;

second color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a second color difference signal from the recording medium;

color signal encoding means for converting said first color difference signal output from said first color difference signal reproduction means and said second color difference signal output from said second color difference signal reproduction means into a carrier color signal;

adding means for adding said luminance signal output from said luminance signal reproduction means and said carrier color signal output from said color signal encoding means, and outputting a composite video signal;

a luminance signal output terminal for outputting both said luminance signal and said composite video signal,

first switching means provided between an output terminal of said first color difference signal reproduction means and an input terminal of said color signal encoding means for turning on and off an output signal of said first color difference signal reproduction means;

second switching means provided between an output terminal of said second color difference signal reproduction means and an input terminal of said color signal encoding means for turning on and off an output signal of said second color difference signal reproduction means; and

output signal switching control means for controlling said switching means.

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~A video signal reproduction device according to claim 2, further comprising

luminance signal reproduction means for reproducing a luminance signal from a recording medium;

first color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a first color difference signal from the recording medium;

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second color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing a second color difference signal from the recording medium;

color signal encoding means for converting said first color difference signal output from said first color difference signal reproduction means and said second color difference signal output from said second color difference signal reproduction means into a carrier color signal;

adding means for adding said luminance signal output from said luminance signal reproduction means and said carrier color signal output from said color signal encoding means, and outputting a composite video signal;

a luminance signal output terminal for outputting both said luminance signal and said composite video signal, and

means for controlling whether to add or not to add the carrier color signal output by said color signal encoding means.